



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yoshinori Aoyagi et al.

Serial No.: 09/839,296 ✓ Group Art Unit: 2871

Filed: April 23, 2001 Examiner: Hoan C. Nguyen

For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY AND FABRICATION METHOD THEREOF

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATEMENT ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Comes now the Applicant, pursuant to 37 C. F. R. §1.104(e) and submits a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

Specifically, the Examiner states that the claims 7, 11 and 23 are allowed "since there is no prior art teaches (sic) a method of manufacturing a LCD device comprising: ... wherein line-shaped protrusions along a drawing direction of the first and second raw glass substrates." (Emphasis in original). Applicant respectfully submits that this limitation is not in claims 7, 11 and 23 and therefore, this limitation has not been relied upon by the Examiner to allow claims 7, 11 and 23.

Further, the Examiner states that "in the interview with Mr. Miller on July 13, 2004, Mr. Miller also confirmed that color filter 142 and common electrode 106, TFT with scanning line 520 and signal line 103 are formed DIRECTLY ON one of "irregular surfaces" 101'/102' of substrates 101/102; where the "surface irregularity" is small relative to the size (in order of micron) of the substrate".

However, the undersigned respectfully submits that during a teleconference with the Examiner on July 13, 2004, no such statement (nor for that matter, any statement that could reasonably have been confused with such a statement) was made by the undersigned to the Examiner. Therefore, the Examiner has not relied upon any such statement in order to allow the present Application.

Moreover, Applicant suspects that the Examiner is referring to a limitation found in claims 8 and 24. Applicant would point out that these claims depend from claims 7 and 23,

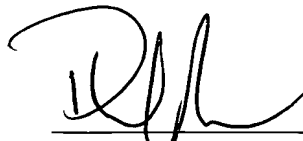
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respectively, and thus, are allowable not only for the novel features recited therein, but also because these claims depend from allowable claims 7 and 23.

Respectfully Submitted,

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